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Applicant: Baitinger et al. : Confirmation No.  
Serial No. : GROUP ART UNIT  
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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR : November 14, 2003  
EFFICIENT ACCESS TO REMOTE I/O : Floyd A. Gonzalez  
FUNCTIONS IN EMBEDDED CONTROL : Intellectual Property Law  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination, amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper

**The Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.